

Modeling Total Ionizing Dose Effects in Isolation Oxides

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High Energy Electrons in Space

Trapped Electrons $E > 1$ MeV

→ Earth's Magnetic Field

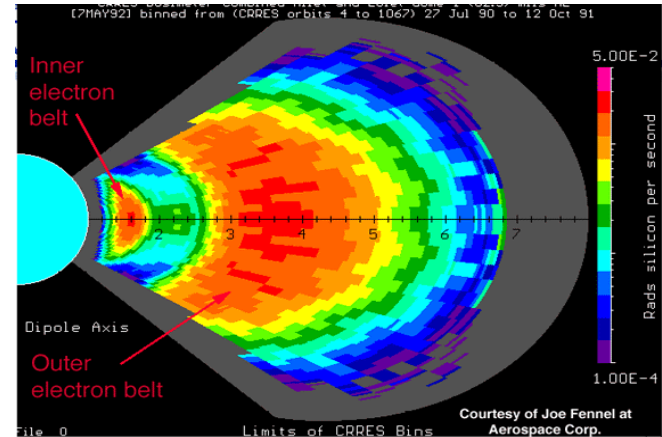
→ Toroidal Belts, SAA

→ Low Dose Rate

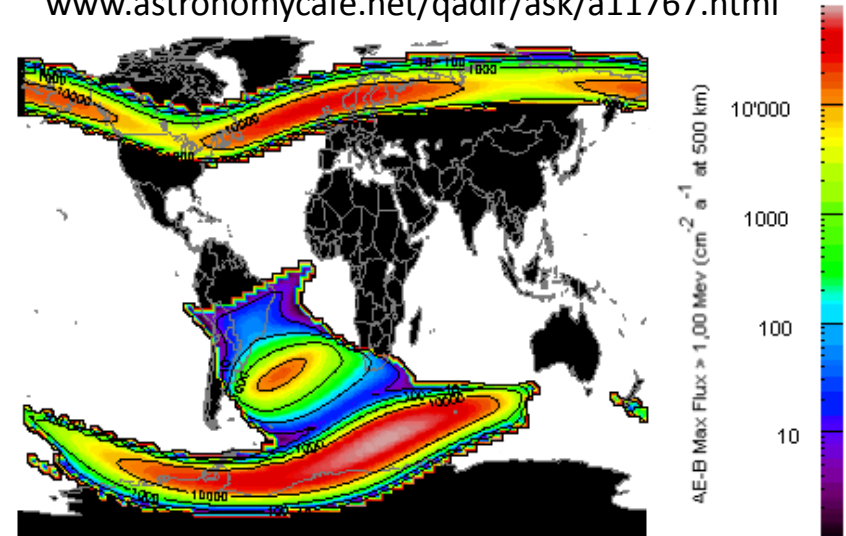
Measurement and Theory

→ Total dose as measured by CRRES satellite

→ Latest NASA model, AE8



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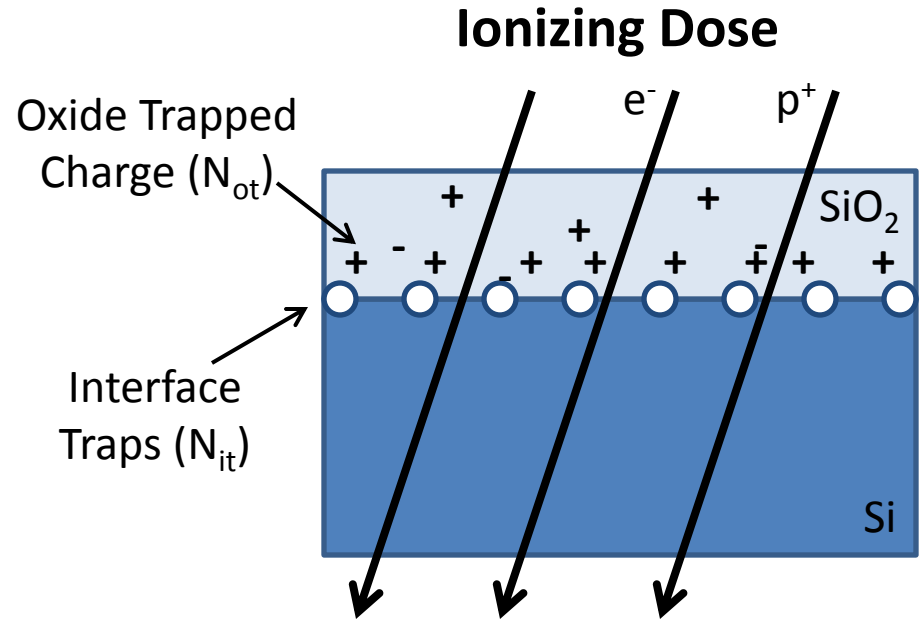
TID Oxide Charging

Dependent on

- Hydrogen
- Dose Rate
- Defect Location
(deposited vs grown)

Method

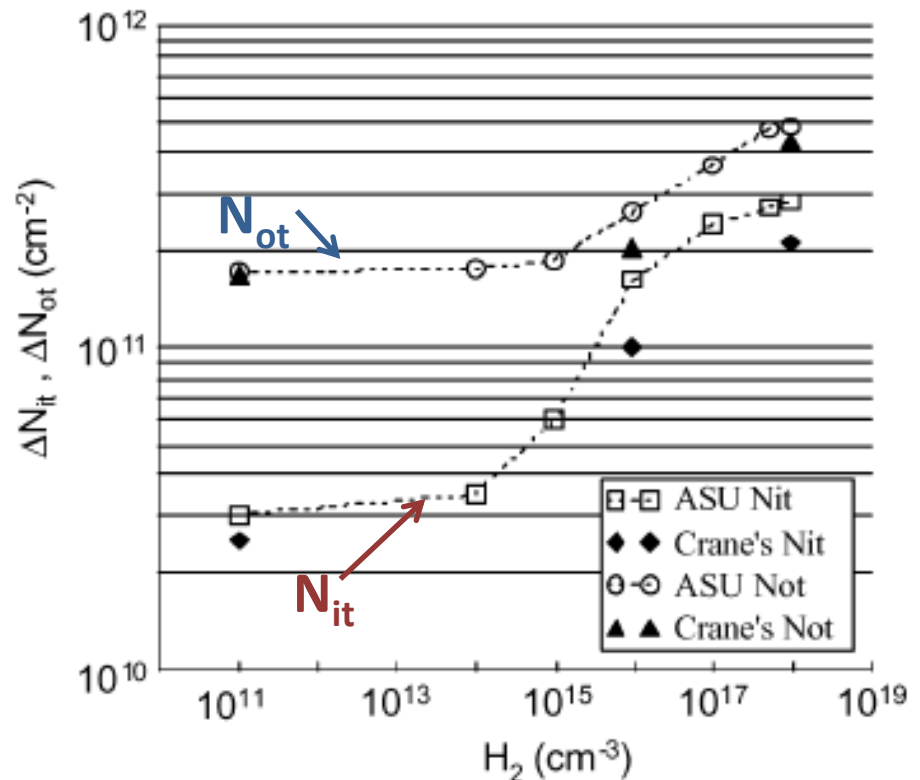
- Same type of interactions in other materials
- SiO_2 wide-band-gap semiconductor
- Apply to SiN, AlGaN, GaN, also wide band gap



After R. Ecoffet, *IEEE NSREC'11 Short Course*, Las Vegas, NV, 2011.

Effect of H_2 on N_{it} and N_{ot}

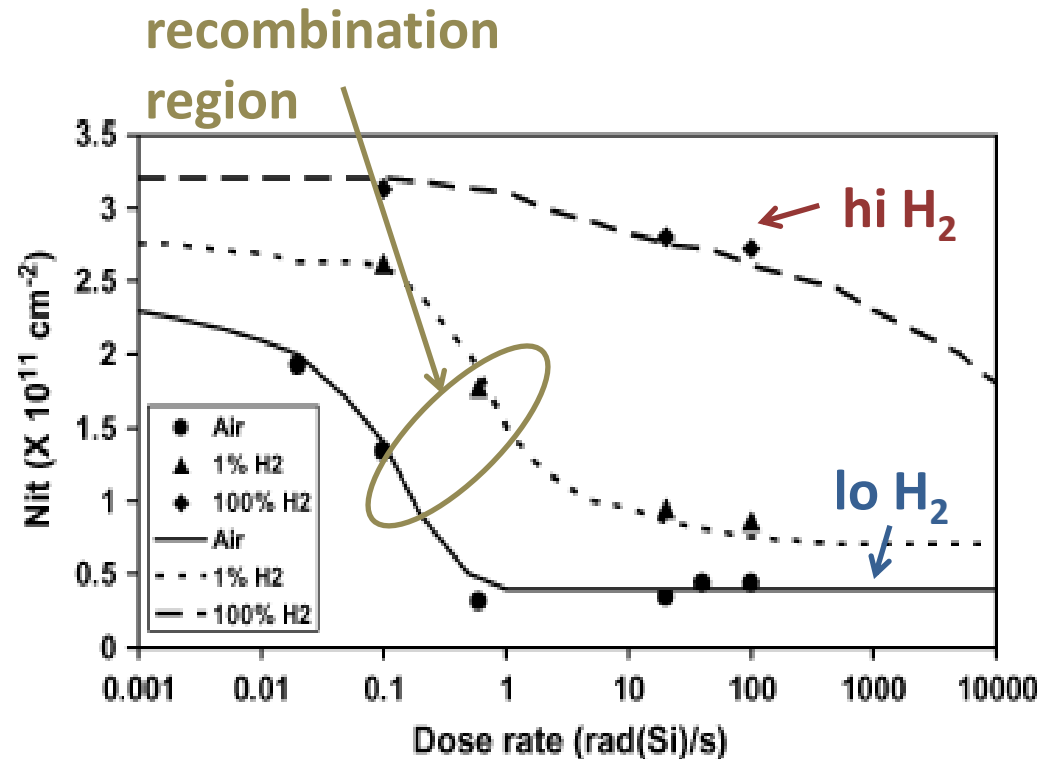
- N_{it} increase with H_2
- N_{ot} increase with H_2
- high dose rate measurement only (20 rad/s)
- no quantitative model



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Dose-Rate Effects for Different H₂



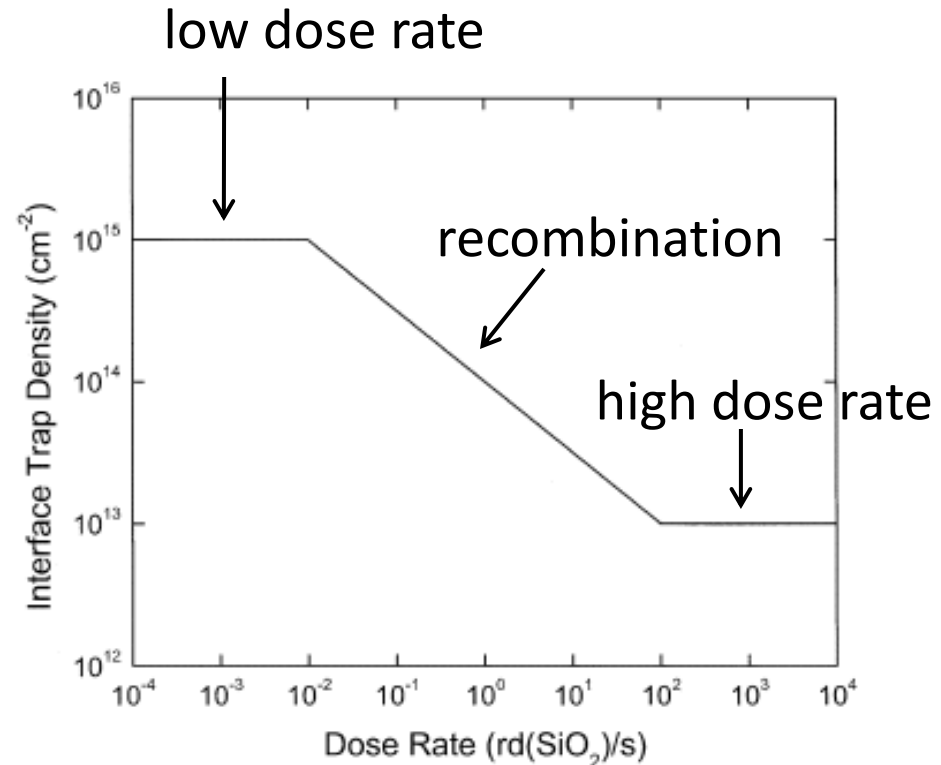
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- High H₂ → no ELDRS
- Medium and low H₂ → more ELDRS
- no N_{ot} data
- no quantitative model

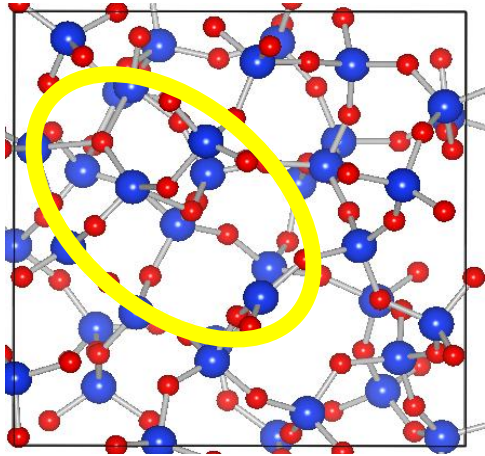
ELDRS – Theory

- At higher dose rates
 - E-field confinement
 - More recombination
 - Less N_{it} and N_{ot}
- Hand calculation
- Does not explain H_2

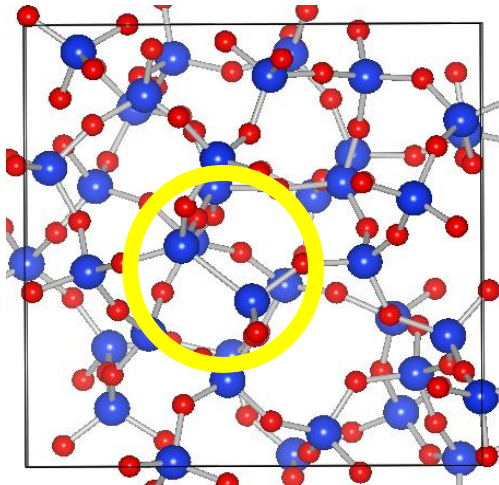


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Defects Analysis: DFT and ESR

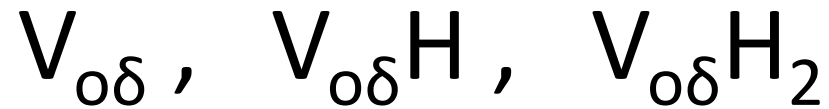
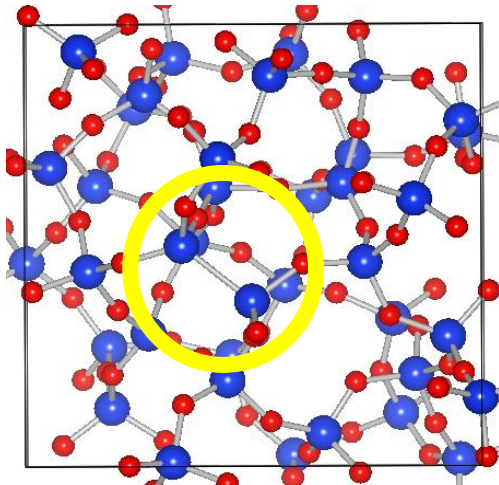
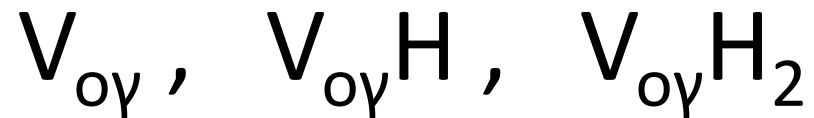
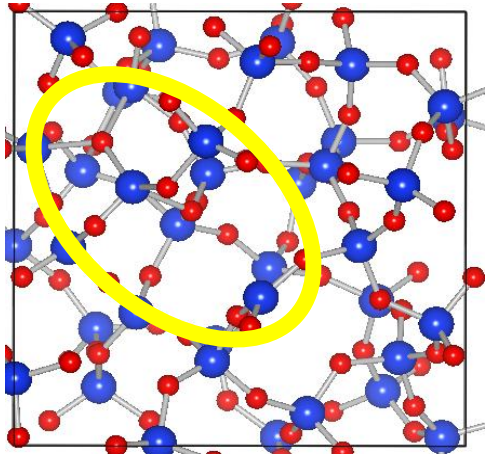


$V_{o\gamma}$



$V_{o\delta}$

Hydrogenated Defects



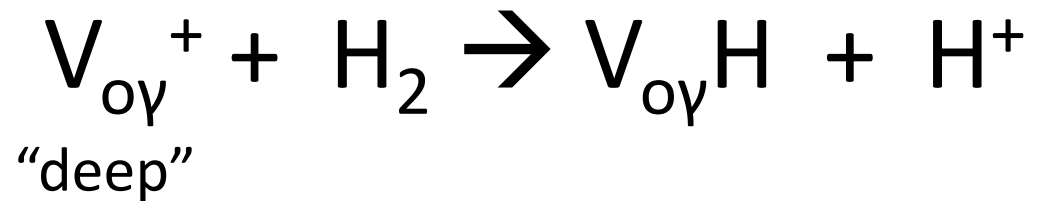
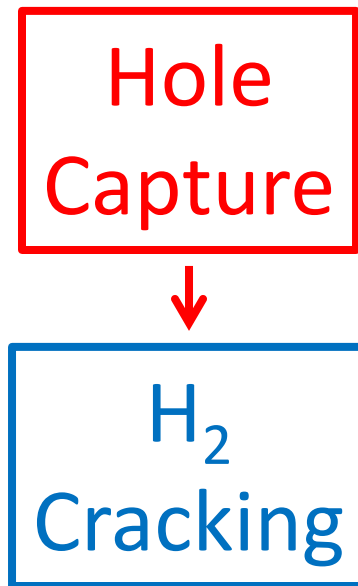
Oxide Charge

Hole
Capture

$$V_{o\gamma}^+, V_{o\gamma}H^+, V_{o\gamma}H_2^+$$

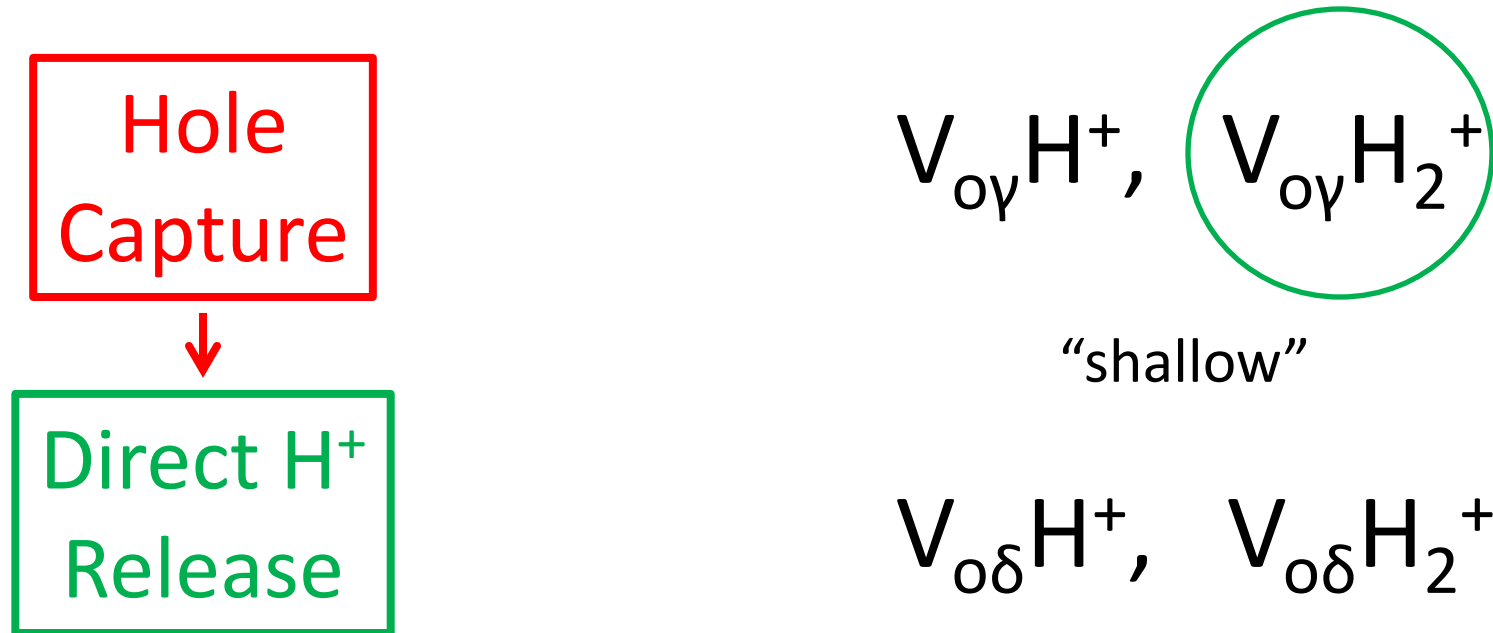
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First Mechanism: H₂ Cracking Reaction



- Energy barriers from DFT calculations

2nd Mechanism: Direct H⁺ Release

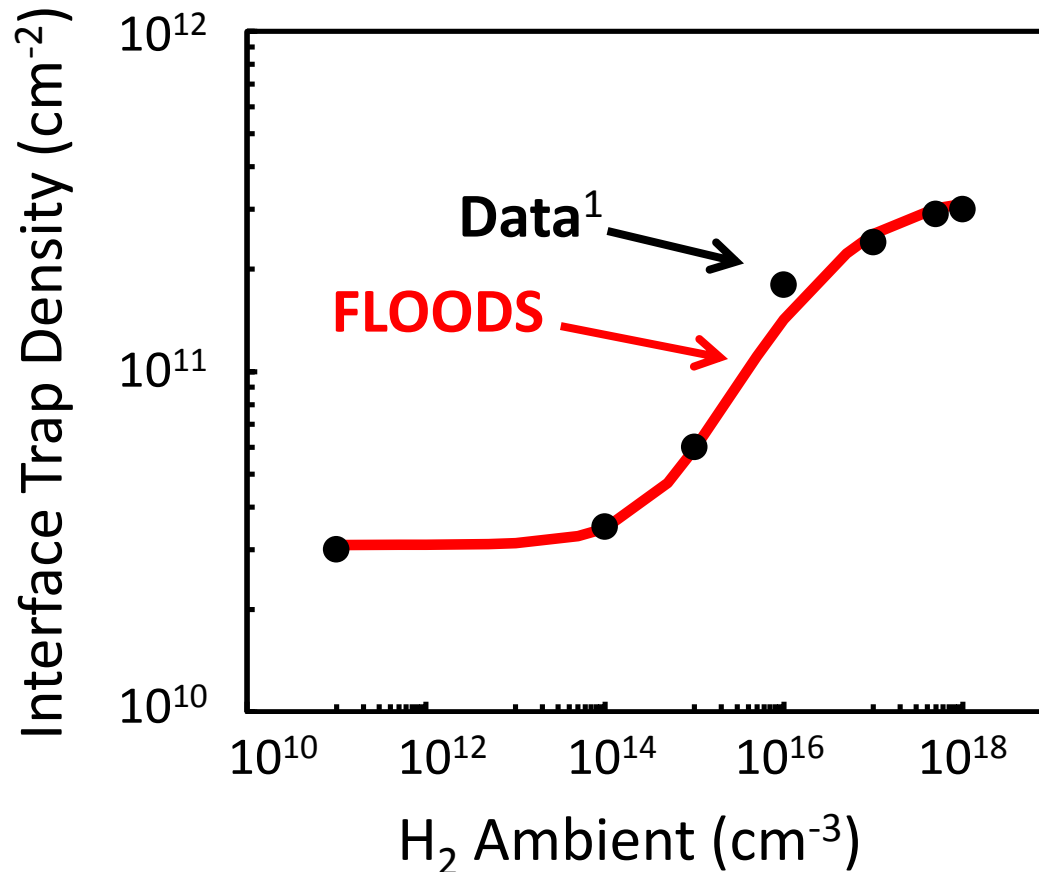


- Energy barriers from DFT calculations

Defects Summary

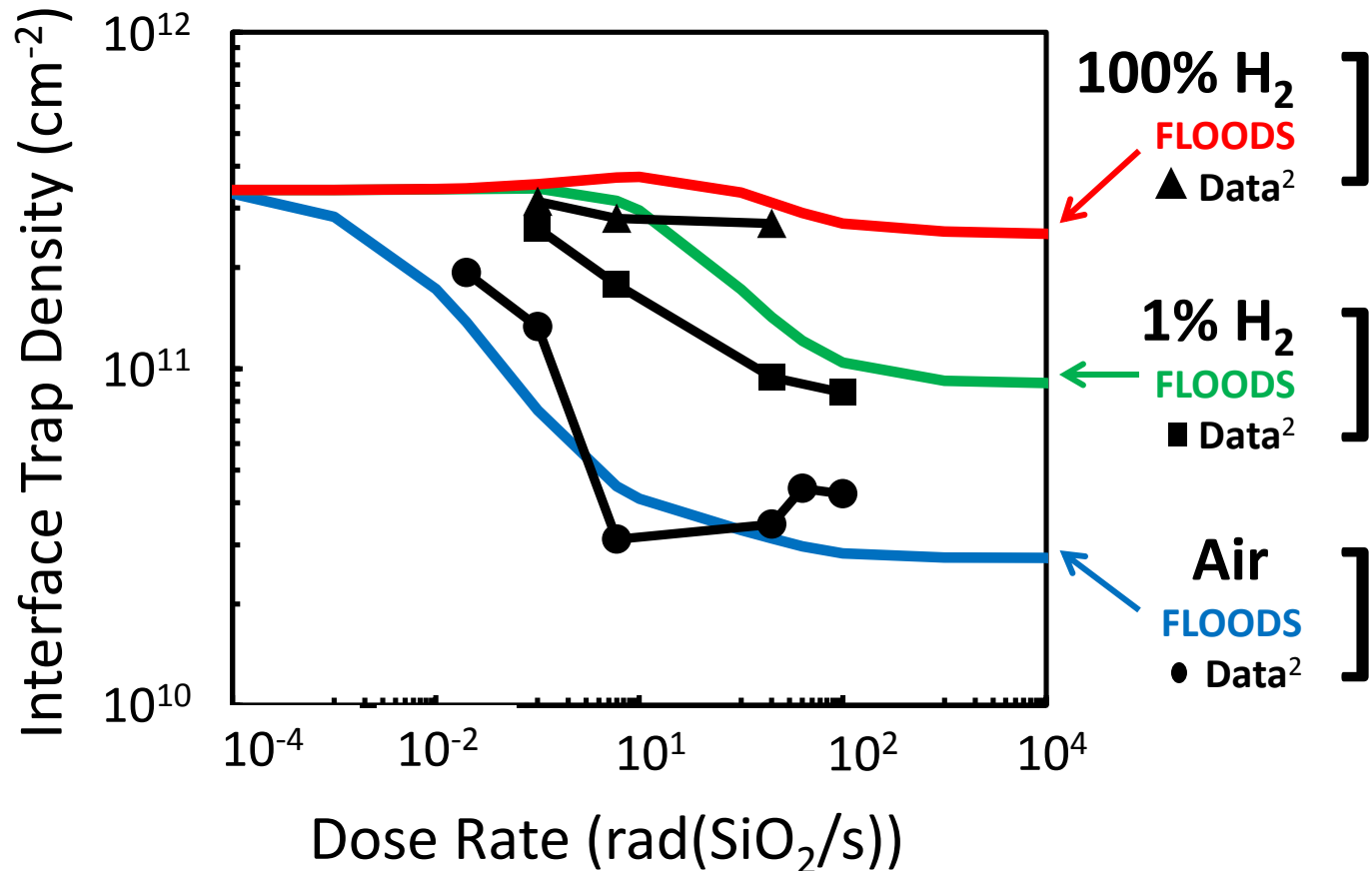
- Main Mechanisms
 - High $H_2 \rightarrow H_2$ Cracking
 - Low $H_2 \rightarrow$ Direct release
 - ELDRS Effect \rightarrow e-recomb on V^+ defects
- FLOODS Implementation
 - Drift-Diffusion TCAD, individual transient simulations matching experimental conditions
 - Add Recombination / Generation terms to account for chemical reactions, derived from energy balance

Results: Hydrogen



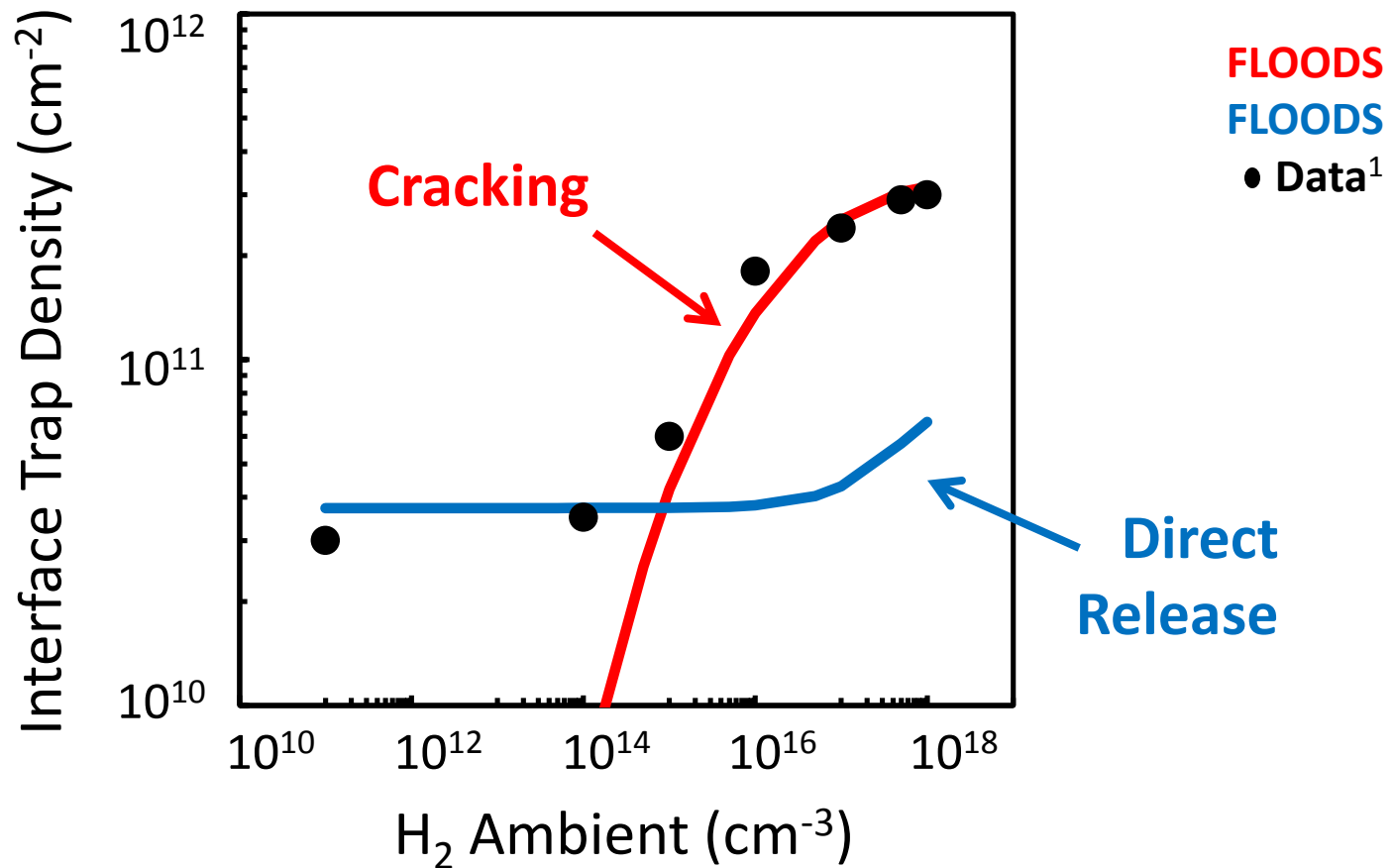
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Results: ELDRS and H₂



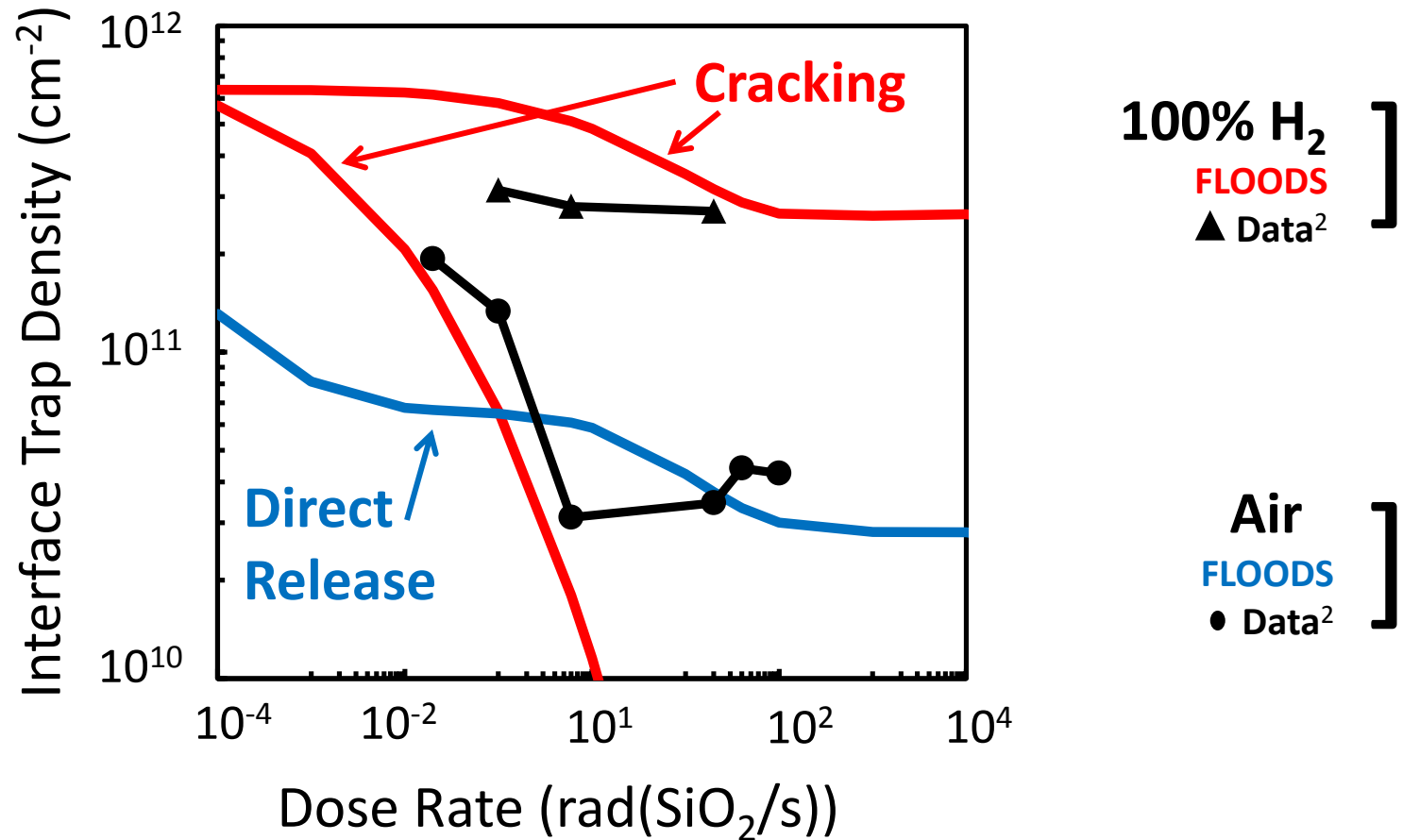
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Breakdown of Mechanisms: H₂



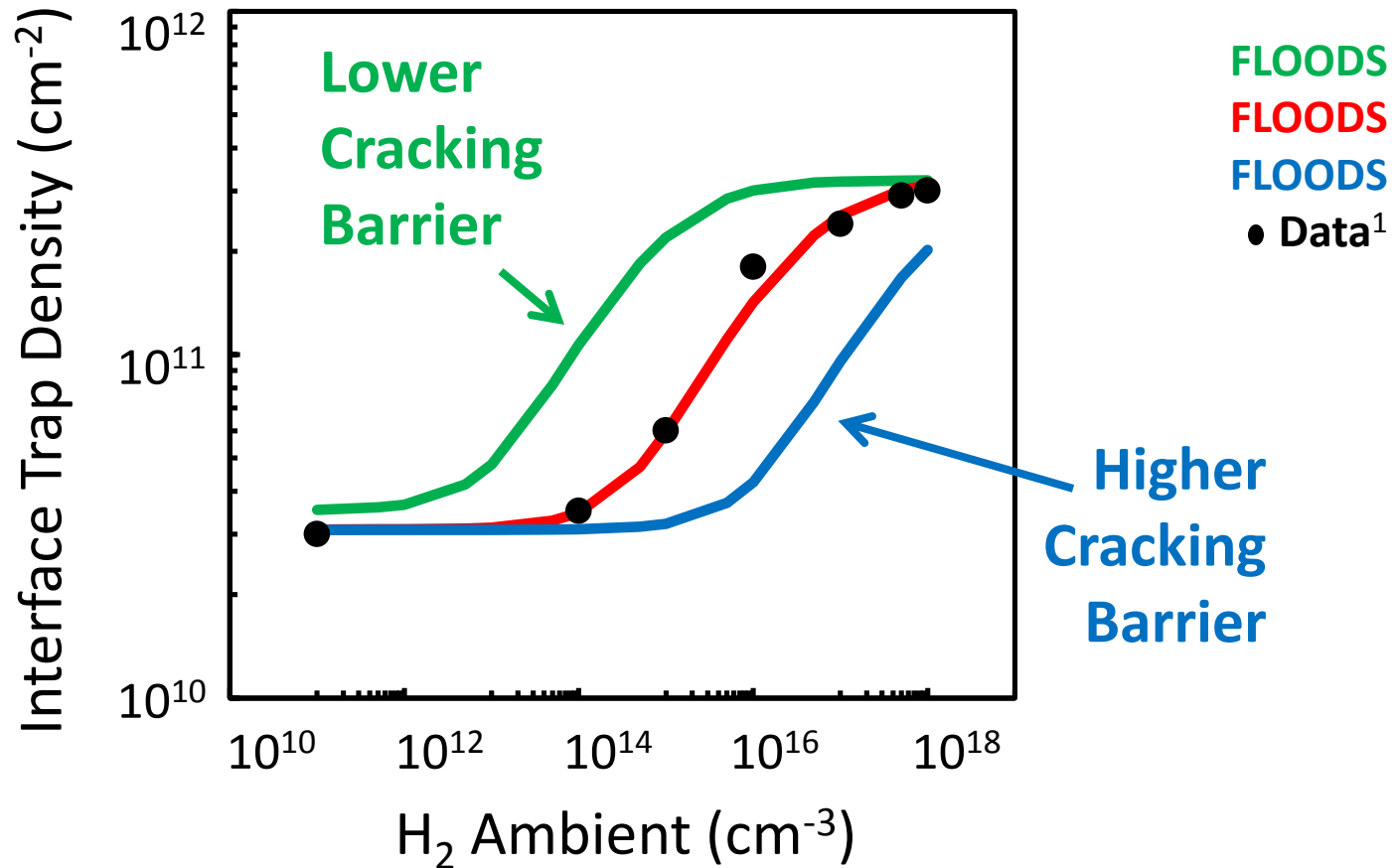
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Sensitivity Analysis



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- Summary
 - Physics-based approach informed by first principles results accurately models the dose rate effects seen in different H₂ environments
- Conclusions
 - High H₂ ⇔ cracking mechanism
 - Low dose rates ⇔ cracking mechanism
 - Sensitivity analysis in FLOODS combined with first principles calculations can identify key defects and mechanisms

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